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Chairman Bowman, Vice-Chair Drazan, members of the committee, thank you for this opportunity to provide written testimony in support of House Concurrent Resolution 9.

Secretary Richardson brought a non-partisan & fair leadership to the SOS department.

His decision to audit the Portland Public School caused some to scratch their heads, but it was a good decision.

Through the audit of the PPS the state found that the district could do a better job at accounting for its funds. Specifically it was found that they had multiple Amazon Prime accounts when the district only needed one.

I also appreciated his video giving up dates on the work that he was doing and how his health was doing.

We need more people like Secretary Richardson who are willing to ask the tough questions and be transparent.